

MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
POPULATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 17, 2006
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room
302 North 1st Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

George Pettit, Gilbert, Chairman	*Sonny Culbreth, Litchfield Park
*Bryant Powell, Apache Junction	Wahid Alam, Mesa
*Connie Randall, Avondale	*Matt Holm, Maricopa County
Brian Rose, Buckeye	Karen Flores, Peoria
*Gary Neiss, Carefree	Tim Tilton, Phoenix
*Ian Cordwell, Cave Creek	*Shawny Ekadis, Queen Creek
Sam Andreas for David DeLaTorre, Chandler	*Stacey Gubser, Salt River Pima-Maricopa
Mark Smith, El Mirage	Indian Community
**Ken Valverde, Fountain Hills	*Harry Higgins, Scottsdale
*Bev Turner, Gila Bend	Janice See, Surprise
*Terry Yergan, Gila River Indian Community	Sherri Lessing, Tempe
**Kate Langford, Glendale	none appointed, Wickenburg
Joe Schmitz for Katie Coble, Goodyear	Mark Fooks, Youngtown
** Gary Smith, Guadalupe	*Ann McCracken, Valley Metro

* Not in attendance

** Participated via audioconference

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Shawn Murray, Mesa	Heidi Pahl, MAG
Max Enterline, Phoenix	Jeff Romine
Eddie Cane, Maricopa County	Mark Roberts, MAG
Anubhav Bagley, MAG	Don Worley, MAG
Steve Gross, MAG	Harry Wolfe, MAG

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Chair George Petitt.

2. Call to the Audience

___ There were no requests to address the audience. Harry Wolfe introduced Jeff Romain as a new MAG staff member.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2005

It was moved by Mark Fooks, seconded by Karen Flores and unanimously recommended to approve the meeting minutes of December 6, 2005.

4. 2005 Census Survey

Heidi Pahl noted that the data collection phase of the 2005 Census was complete and that the local census office was closed. She added that the Census Bureau is in the data processing phase of the project and that Survey results would be received in the Spring of 2006.

Tim Tilton asked if there were a data sheet for the number of housing units not enumerated and why they weren't enumerated. Heidi Pahl indicated that there was no such account.

Wahid Alam asked if the Census Bureau was going to provide us with a figure for the Institutional Population. He also asked for the Census Bureau definition of what constituted a Group Quarter. It was noted that population in Group Quarters by city would be provided, but not additional details; and that the Census Bureau definition of Group Quarters could be addressed as another meeting of the MAG POPTAC.

Tim Tilton noted that the Census Bureau was previously asked whether the agency could provide a list of Group Quarters to a local government and the Census Bureau representative said that it could not be done because of confidentiality requirements.

5. July 1, 2005 Resident Population Updates

Harry Wolfe stated that while for MAG the results of the 2005 Census Survey would be used to distribute state-shared revenues for other jurisdictions the DES estimates would be used. He also noted that DES is still required to prepare July 1, 2005 annual population updates for Maricopa County.

Mr. Wolfe explained that at the December 2, 2005 meeting of the DES POPTAC, the accuracy of the data input used by DES to prepare the estimates was raised. However, because of a December 15, 2005 state mandated deadline, DES forwarded the estimates to the Economic Estimates Commission. DES staff also indicated that the estimates would be revised to reflect corrected data.

Max Enterline asked whether demolitions were taken into account in computing the updates. Harry Wolfe responded that they were used.

6. MAG Socioeconomic Projections and Data Collection/Review Activities

Anubhav Bagley explained that MAG is getting read to prepare projections of population, employment and housing. He noted that the last set of projections was prepared by MAG in July 2003. MAG is in the process of updating the interim projections. Mr. Bagley distributed a table of comments received from member agencies.

Mr. Bagley stated that MAG staff distributed for review and comment an employer database and that comments received would be incorporated into the database. He added that since some member agencies have not supplied updated information, that MAG will need that information to prepare base and buildout scenarios.

7. Residential Completions for the Quarter Ending December 31, 2005 and Lag Time Analysis

Harry Wolfe commented that the residential completions for the quarter ending December 31, 2005 were due on February 1, 2006.

Rita Walton explained that MAG staff analyzed the lag times between the issuance of a building permit and the completion of the unit by year and by jurisdiction. She noted that in recent years the lag time has increased significantly.

8. Other Data Collection Activities

Heidi Pahl indicated that MAG was working with member agencies to develop a process for collecting the data needed for the development of MAG socioeconomic projections on a regular basis. She said the process would involve a schedule for collecting, distributing and verifying the data and that she would be the single point of contact for the collection of data.

9. City of Goodyear Growth Trends

Joe Schmitz of Goodyear gave a presentation on growth trends within the City.

10. Regional Update

No comments were offered by member agencies on development within their jurisdictions.

11. Meeting of the MAG POPTAC

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.